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Blaming the accidental spill at the Gold King Mine on the Environmental Protection Agency is like saying it's the fireman's fault for not saving a home during a forest fire.

The EPA works in dangerous conditions every day and with possible exposure to the very toxins they are removing from the polluted water entering our rivers. Unfortunately they cannot always be successful when they are trying to save an area from an inevitable disaster.

Before blaming the EPA, why don't you ask how many successful clean-ups have been completed over the past 25 years? The EPA goes into these situations with the best intentions for a successful outcome.

Those with potential to improve/resolve this situation should take a moment to support those individuals who put their lives on the line to help keep our water, environment and communities safe from any source of pollution.